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A New, Local, Reliable Source of Water to Lemon Grove and Beyond

A new source of drinking water has been in the planning stages since 2014 and is close to moving into construction this summer. The East County Advanced Water Purification Program (East County AWP) is a regional water and wastewater solution located in East San Diego County.

The East County AWP uses state-of-the-art technology to purify East County's recycled water. It produces up to 30% of East County's drinking water supply. As part of a four step process, this advanced water purification procedure generates up to 11.5 million gallons of water per day.

After the advanced water purification process is complete, the purified water is blended with water in Helix Water District's Lake Jennings and treated again at Helix's R.M. Levy Water Treatment Plant before being distributed as drinking water. The AWP facilities are scheduled to be operational in 2025.

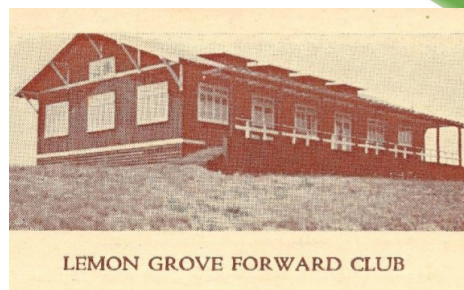
The Program offers multiple advantages to the East County communities. It provides a clean, safe, reliable drinking water source that is competitive with imported water and wastewater treatment. The water source is drought-proof, environmentally sound and safeguards East County's economy and quality of life.

The Joint Powers Authority (JPA) plans to vote on a final decision to move forward with construction in May 2022. The JPA includes Padre Dam, County of San Diego, City of El Cajon and ex-officio member Helix Water District.

To learn more about the Program visit www.EastCountyAWP.com

Creates CLEAN, LOCAL, drought-proof DRINKING WATER 	 East County Advanced Water Purification www.EastCountyAWP.com	Supplies Up to 30% of East County's drinking water 
Eliminates 15 MILLION gallons/day of treated wastewater discharge into the Ocean 	Offers A COST effective SOLUTION 	Sustains & SAFEGUARDS the region's ECONOMY & way of life 

She turns 100!



COMMUNITY CELEBRATION!

On May 12, 1922 the Lemon Grove Forward Club (Women's Club) had its first meeting in their new clubhouse, now known as the Sonshine House. The Lemon Grove Historical Society is gathering 100 years later to celebrate their legacy, and the building that was the social center of Lemon Grove for decades. There will be refreshments, a lecture on the Forward Club history, an exhibit of historic club artifacts, memories of the building shared by all, and birthday cake!

Doors open at 6:30pm and the program begins at 7:00pm.

Location: 2810 Main Street, Lemon Grove, CA

Contact:

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LOCAL BUSINESS SPOTLIGHT

Bringing a taste of Tuscany to Lemon Grove

Hailing from Lucca, a historical city in the western coast of Italia and Tuscany's "most beautiful city", Lido's Italian Food & Barbecue brings a taste of fine dining to our back yard. Family owned and operated since it's inception, Lido's creates delicious food with quality ingredients. At first bite you can taste the pride, the passion, and inspiration behind every dish prepared.

Established in Lemon Grove in 1955, Lido's has been a local hotspot for almost 67 years. If you are new to the area, you'll definitely want to pop in, grab a seat, and prepare to be impressed. The atmosphere is traditional and reminiscent of many of



Yvette Engleman (left) and Elisabeth Simi-Willis (right), Lidos, 2022
the family owned restaurants in Italia and each meal is made to order and prepared with a mothers love.

Everything...absolutely everything about this place is superb. It's rare that one would recommend meat sauce but when guests are grabbing a bucket to go, and returning for buckets time and again for home use, it speaks volumes. Reviews swear, "it's to die for".

Have you been to Lido's? Shoot us a message on facebook and let us know your favorite cuisine.

YOU NEED ONE OF THESE



Grovers, have you heard about the partnership between the First Partners Office and the California State Library?

As soon as you are finished reading, you'll want to head on over to the Lemon Grove Library and inquire about the all too essential, "Parks Pass".

If you are a current California State public library card holder, treat yourself and explore one of many California State Parks.

This partnership has made getting away all too easy because not only have they made obtaining a library card convenient, they've also included perks such as obtaining a pass for up to a 9 passenger van or even a motorcycle.



Right now, you can choose one of 200 participating state parks to visit any day of the week including holiday. Be sure to pack and dress accordingly, and let park access be the least of your concerns.

The cherry on top is that the Library card, the Park Pass, and the vehicle passes... are FREE!

So get up, get out, and get active this summer. This is one of the best ways to reconnect with nature as well as bond with those nearest and dearest to your heart.

Adventure awaits. Where will the Library Park Pass take you?

To learn more visit, www.parks.ca.gov

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